2007

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES - REGULAR

Present: Phyllis Scannell, Robert Hamilton, Susan Megna, Vice President; Ricardo Cosgrave, Beth Nichols Hesse, George Warner (7:20pm); Paul Puccio (7:25pm); Seth Hendrick (8:00pm).

Absent: Paula Noll.

Also Present: Doug Hamlin, Superintendent; Robert Horan, MHHS; Jason Chevrier, CES; Lori Colistra, Director of Pupil Personnel Services; Liz Chipman, District Clerk.

Prior to meeting, Linda Wemple and Faculty Association representatives thanked board members in honor of School Board Recognition Week. Cookies and refreshments were provided by Faculty Association.

- 1. Meeting called to order by Vice President Megna at 7:10 p.m.
- 2. Approval of present agenda. Robert Hamilton moved to approve agenda with additions and changes. Phyllis Weber Scannell seconded. All present in favor.
- 3. Approval of minutes of regular meeting of October 18, 2007 and special meeting of November 1, 2007 and Correction to minutes of regular meeting of May 15, 2007: (8b.) Two-year probationary appointment of Christina Yager (Certification: Nursery, Kindergarten and Grades 1-6) as elementary teacher, effective April 23, 2007. Salary for the 10-month position is MS Step 1. Robert Hamilton moved to approve minutes. Phyllis Weber Scannell seconded. All present in favor.
- 4. Meeting open for public discussion. None.

5. Reports

- A. Capital Project Oversight Ed Goodwill, Clerk of the Works. Mr. Goodwill present to report. CES is partially razed. Asbestos abatement work will commence on Monday, November 19. The asbestos around the boiler will be removed in the spring, as the boiler is needed to heat the building through the winter. Gymnasium walls are being built. Plumbing, electrical. Modular village is running well. Some leaking in roof and windows, it has been addressed.
- B. Green Building Technology Stieglitz, Snyder Architects/Engineers. Doug Hamlin introduced Bob Shepherd and Jeff, Dave Ketchum. LEED rating system for building efficiency. Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design. NY-CHPS is state rating system for high performance school guidelines. Costs of green construction. Commissioning is prerequisite for any LEEDS building. Reviewed case study of LEED certified building project. Questions, comments from board members. Current green

- construction practices in CES construction project. Energy performance contract study, better insulation system, compact footprint, minimize parking/paved surfaces, efficient boilers, good daylighting, DDC controls system, minimize light pollution. Opportunities for additional green construction in project: more efficient/smaller boilers, indirect/direct light fixtures, linoleum v. VCT, low VOC finishes, green guard furniture, recycled content for ceiling, drywall, CT; low flow plumbing fixtures, commissioning. Continued discussion, questions, comments.
- C. Capital Project and Town Re-Assessment Impact Doug Hamlin. Doug reported on meeting held 11/7. Distributed outline of actions to be taken by Capital Region BOCES Communication Service.
- D. Community Engagement. Beth Nichols Hesse and Paul Puccio reported. Information to the community about "Tool Box for a Successful Life." Knowledge and skill tools, opportunity and experience tools, leadership tools, community life tools. Discussion of best way to communicate with students, appropriate venues, method of engaging community. Suggestion that administrators review the template with the committee to refine and continue with the message. Discussion, comments.

6. Policies - 3rd Readings

- A. Revision to Cellular Telephone Policy Regulations 3-222R. Paul Puccio moved to accept revisions to policy. George Warner seconded. All present in favor.
- B. Revision to Competitive Bidding Policy 4-202. Paul Puccio moved to accept revisions to policy. George Warner seconded. All present in favor.

7. Consent agenda

- A. Robert Hamilton moved acceptance of Treasurer's Report for the month of September 2007. Paul Puccio seconded. All present in favor.
- B. Robert Hamilton moved acceptance of Claims Auditor's Report for the month of September 2007. Paul Puccio seconded. All present in favor.
- C. Robert Hamilton moved acceptance of Revenue and Budget Status Reports for month of September 2007. Paul Puccio seconded. All present in favor.
- D. Robert Hamilton moved acceptance of Extra-classroom Activity Report for month of September 2007. Paul Puccio seconded. All present in favor.
- E. Robert Hamilton moved acceptance of non-cash donation of laminator with laminating kit from CES PAC Account valued at \$1,549.00 in support of CES classroom use. Paul Puccio seconded. All present in favor.
- F. Robert Hamilton moved approval of disposition of district property in accordance with Board of Education Policy #4-206: riding mower-Murray (not operating); riding mower-Montgomery Ward (not operating); riding mower-Ariens (not operating); (2) reel gang mowers (not operating); push mower-Yardman (not operating); paddle snow blower-Toro

- s620 (not operating); sidewalk sweeper-Sweepster (not operating); (7) large A/V carts; (50) desk/chair combo units; (25) Dell Optiplex gx100Pc (no operating system); (14) Apple s400/200 PCs (no operating system); audio equipment (speaker/tape players & wires); Legion steam kettle 40 gal. natural gas (works); Cleveland Steam craft power 10 steamer (works). Paul Puccio seconded. All present in favor.
- G. Robert Hamilton moved approval of health services contract with Lansingburgh Central School District for the 2007-08 school year in the amount of \$702.14 (\$351.07 each) for two (2) resident students attending non-public schools. Paul Puccio seconded. All present in favor.
- H. Rober Hamilton moved approval of recommendations of district Committee on Pre-School Special Education regarding 2007-08 special education services for students #095922555, #091940098, #092921316, #091947420, #106925170. Paul Puccio seconded. All present in favor.
- I. Robert Hamilton moved approval of recommendations of district Committee on Special Education regarding 2007-08 special education services for students #000009904, 000113230, 000113314, 000012471, 107784013, 000011356, 000011372, 000013417, and 000112120. Discussion. Paul Puccio seconded. All present in favor.
- J. ITEM REMOVED FROM AGENDA. Approval of 2007/08 Funding Guidelines. Will be on 12/6 agenda.
- K. Robert Hamilton moved approval of salary adjustment for Network Manager to include overtime payments and designate as overtime exempt. Paul Puccio seconded. All present in favor.
- L. Robert Hamiltvon moved acceptance of bid from William Spring in the amount of \$305.00 for the purchase of one (1) Chevy c/60 dump truck pursuant to surplus bid opening October 25, 2007. Paul Puccio seconded. All present in favor.

8. Retirements

9. Resignations/Appointments

- A. Paul Puccio approval of substitute teachers: Megan Deschamps, Helen Krause, Sarah Tacy. Seth Hendrick seconded. All present in favor.
- B. Paul Puccio moved approval of probationary appointment of Christopher Guilianelli, Custodial Worker, for 8.0 hours/day, at a rate of \$13.80/hour, effective November 16, 2007 through May 16, 2008. Seth Hendrick seconded. All present in favor.
- C. Paul Puccio moved approval of permanent appointment of Stephanie Hulett, Teacher Aide, effective November 2, 2007. Seth Hendrick seconded. All present in favor.

- D. Paul Puccio moved emergency conditional approval of Kerry Novak (certification: speech) as speech therapist (.6FTE), effective November 14, 2007. Salary for the 10-month position is MA Step 2. Seth Hendrick seconded. All present in favor.
- E. Paul Puccio mvoed approval of probationary, emergency conditional appointment of Richard Ostrander, Building Maintenance Mechanic, for 8.0 hours/day, at a rate of \$16.97/hour, effective October 29, 2007 through April 29, 2008 (Emergency conditional re-appointment effective November 29, 2007. Seth Hendrick seconded. All present in favor.
- F. Paul Puccio moved emergency conditional approval of substitute teachers (emergency conditional re-appointment effective December 4, 2007): Lucas Ashby, Alan Dellehunt, Geoffrey Flynn, Kevin Hertzel, Heather LaMountain, Sabine Murphy, William Strang, John Tulloch, Christine Zimmerman. Seth Hendrick seconded. All present in favor.
- G. Paul Puccio moved emergency conditional approval of non-instructional substitutes (emergency conditional re-appointment effective December 4, 2007): Janice Dikant, Gloria Shook. Seth Hendrick seconded. All present in favor.
- H. Paul Puccio moved approval of school bus driver substitutes: Dawn Lasher. Seth Hendrick seconded. All present in favor.
- I. Paul Puccio moved approval of non-instructional substitutes: Noelle Gipp. Seth Hendrick seconded. All present in favor.
- 10. Board discussion Doug Hamlin: requests from families to exempt their children from immunizations for religious reasons. Paul Puccio: Personal objection as different from formal religious objection to immunization. Rik Cosgrave moved to support the admission of two students who are not vaccinated. Robert Hamilton seconded. Yes: Seth Hendrick, Beth Nichols Hesse, Rik Cosgrave, Phyllis Weber Scannell, Robert Hamilton. No: George Warner, Paul Puccio. Abstain: Susan Megna. Motion carries. Doug Hamlin: initiated discussion public comment period on agenda. Consensus is to keep agenda as is, with caveat that public comment period be added as deemed necessary on a meeting by meeting basis. Middle School principal transition. George Warner: articles in Washington Post on D. C. schools. Paul Puccio: culture of organizations. News from administrators. Alumni page on district web site. Construction timeline. Brookview Road building.
- 11. Meeting open for public discussion. None.
- 12. Action items. Matrix for inclusion/exclusion of green technology in capital projects. Estimate from architects on progress to date.
- 13. Motion to go into executive session to discuss work history of specific employees, Superintendent evaluation, negotiations with SCFA. No executive session.

14. Adjournment. Having no other business before the board, meeting adjourned at 10:10pm.			
Respectfully Submitted,			
Elizabeth Chipman District Clerk			
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ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO 11/15/07 BOARD AGENDA

Consent	
Resignations/Appointments	
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